

APPROVED MINUTES
HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH COUNCIL MEETING
February 8, 2000
LBJ Building, Boise, ID - Room 302 / 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Present:

Darrell Manning, Chair	Billy Shipp	Jonathan Lawson
Robert Hoover	Ken Hollenbaugh	Kirk Dennis
John Huffman	Rita Morris	Robin Dodson
Dennis Stevens	Daryl Jones	Nancy Szofran
Richard Bowen	Brian Pitcher	Randi McDermott

The Higher Education Research Council met with their two newest members, private sector member John Huffman, and Governor's Statewide Science & Technology Advisor, Billy Shipp. A general and open discussion of considerations for the future planning of the Statewide Science & Technology Planning initiatives to be led by the Governor's Science & Technology Advisor ensued.

Sampling of Issues Discussed:

- Dr. Shipp explained some of his visions for the direction of the planning initiative, including identifying core industries associated with the State's science and technology base, developing policy around core investments, and exploring where Idaho students go following postsecondary education.
- It was noted that significant infrastructure is needed to support new or expanded programs at the postsecondary level.
- It was noted that the need to develop short term goals is important along with the long term goals.
- It was noted that the institutions are increasingly faced with the dilemma of trying to provide access and opportunity to a broader range of students while also trying to keep the best and brightest students here in the state.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm.